

The University of Helsinki – among the best in the world

Founded in 1640, the University of Helsinki (UH) is one of the best multidisciplinary research universities in the world. The University of Helsinki is an international academic community of 40,000 students and staff members. It operates on four campuses in Helsinki and at 15 other locations. The high-quality research carried out by the university creates new knowledge for educating diverse specialists in various fields, and for utilization in social decision-making and the business sector.

The University has introduced a doctoral education system consisting of four doctoral schools and 32 doctoral programmes at the beginning of 2014. The Doctoral Programme in Drug Research (DPDR) is coordinated by the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Helsinki and is one of eight doctoral programmes which belong to the Doctoral School in Health Sciences.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The Doctoral Programme in Drug Research (DPDR) in the Doctoral School in Health Sciences (DSHealth) is now seeking outstanding applicants for

[UH-Funded Doctoral Candidate Positions](#) (3), starting January 2015

Description

The Doctoral Programme in Drug Research (DPDR) covers diverse areas in drug research, such as drug design and synthesis, bioactivity screening, drug formulation, industrial manufacturing, pharmaceutical microbiology, pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics, analytics, drug interactions, pharmacogenetics, pharmacology and clinical pharmacology, clinical drug research, pharmacoepidemiology, clinical pharmacy, pharmacoconomics, toxicology and clinical toxicology and veterinary drug research. The home unit of the DPDR is the Faculty of Pharmacy, but doctoral student positions can also be located in other organisations performing drug research in the University. The goal is to achieve the doctoral degree (Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Philosophy [Pharm], Doctor of Medical Science, Doctor of Dental Science, or Doctor in Veterinary Medicine) at the University of Helsinki within a four-year net time period. The duties of a doctoral student are to work on his or her own doctoral thesis and to complete his or her postgraduate studies. The duties also include teaching and other tasks.

The Doctoral Programme in Drug Research announces UH-funded doctoral training positions for 1-4 years starting in 2015. All selected doctoral candidates will be employed full time (100 %). A doctoral student pursuing a specialist degree in medicine, dentistry or veterinary medicine may be granted a maximum leave of absence of six months a year for the clinical work required for specialisation.

Eligibility

A doctoral candidate must hold a Master's or Licentiate degree or be accepted to pursue a Licentiate of Medicine or Licentiate of Dentistry degree in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Helsinki. Doctoral candidate requirements include good basic knowledge as well as sound research proposal and study plan. Fluent English language skills are required. The suitability and ability of the candidate to pursue postgraduate studies successfully are also evaluated. Especially new and early-stage Doctoral candidates are encouraged to apply.

Application and selection process

Candidates are invited to apply online at <https://elomake.helsinki.fi/lomakkeet/52050/lomake.html>

1-30 September 2014 at 16.00.

Instructions are available at <http://blogs.helsinki.fi/reenila/application-to-drpd/>.

All applications must be submitted online. A complete application includes:

1. The '[Application for University-Funded Doctoral Candidate Positions in the Doctoral Programmes of the Doctoral School in Health Sciences, University of Helsinki](https://elomake.helsinki.fi/lomakkeet/52050/lomake.html)' (<https://elomake.helsinki.fi/lomakkeet/52050/lomake.html>) application e-form completed by the doctoral candidate and
2. The '[Agreement of Supervision & Curriculum Contribution Statement for UH-Funded Positions in the Doctoral Programmes of Doctoral School in Health Sciences](https://elomake.helsinki.fi/lomakkeet/52280/lomake.html)' (<https://elomake.helsinki.fi/lomakkeet/52280/lomake.html>) e-form completed by the supervisor by October 2, 2014.

Only complete applications will be included to evaluation by DPDR Board.

The University of Helsinki offers a salary dependent on qualifications and work experience. The salary will be based on levels 2–4 of the job requirement scheme for teaching and research personnel in the salary system of Finnish universities. In addition, the appointee shall be paid a salary component based on personal work performance. The salary will be EUR 2043–2994 per month, depending on the appointee's qualifications and work experience. The appointment starts with a probationary period of four months. The doctoral candidate position cannot initiate prior to obtaining a right to pursue a doctoral degree at the Faculty of Pharmacy, Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Science or Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Helsinki.

For further information about:

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- University of Helsinki International Staff Services, please visit www.helsinki.fi/intstaff/.

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